

LAKE COUNTY BOARD of ADJUSTMENT
July 14, 2010
Meeting Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT: Clarence Brazil, Mike Marchetti, Paul Grinde

STAFF PRESENT: Joel Nelson, Lita Fonda

Mike Marchetti called the meeting to order at 5:13 pm.

Motion made by Clarence Brazil, and seconded by Paul Grinde, to approve the June 9, 2010 meeting minutes. Vote unanimous to approve minutes.

BUSEY SETBACK VARIANCE—FINLEY POINT:

Joel Nelson presented the staff report. (See attachments to minutes in the July '10 meeting file for staff report.)

Mike checked that a letter had not been received from the western adjacent owner. Joel confirmed, and wasn't sure he'd expect one. The owner was notified and did not provide comment.

Henry Busey spoke on behalf of the application. He talked about the cabin's history and the constraints of the geography as far as adding more room. A steep cliff was on the east. He and his wife spoke to the neighbor to the west, Bob Gannon, and showed him the proposed plans. The plans are close to the line. He reported that Bob Gannon and his wife agreed the proposed addition was reasonable and they had no problems with it. Henry commented about pg. 12, paragraph 6 that the area of the deck would extend over the cliff edge if the cabin was pushed out. They wouldn't disturb the slope. They would either cantilever or bevel the deck to the contour.

Public comment opened: None offered. *Public comment closed.*

Clarence didn't see a problem. The owners didn't create the problem. There was the size of the lot. The lot was done prior to zoning. The topography didn't allow much room for anything else. Paul agreed. The topography was a difficult obstacle there. Clarence touched on the cliff side and height.

Mike saw no problem with the variance. He thought it was reasonable. He was concerned about encroachment on a neighbor where no written comment had been received by that neighbor. He asked if it was possible to get comment. Henry thought it was, since the neighbor hadn't had any qualms about approval. Clarence thought the neighbor would have attended this meeting if he had concerns.

Motion made by Clarence Brazil, and seconded by Paul Grinde, to approve the two variances with staff conditions and to adopt all findings of facts. Paul checked

whether the motion was for one or both variances. Clarence restated the motion to clearly include both variances. Paul repeated his second. **Motion carried, all in favor.**

OTHER BUSINESS

Board and staff discussed suggestions and comments from the public on the public comment portion of last month's very long and well attended meeting. Suggestions staff received included a show of hands to show who came to support or oppose an item when a lot of people showed up, looking carefully for those who would like to comment, and having more notice (for those preparing comment) that a time limit for comments may be invoked. A timer with a bell would be helpful when a time limit was given for comment. The option for a time limit was in the Board rules. Joel suggested reviewing and updating the Board rules.

Motion made by Clarence Brazil to adjourn, and Mike Marchetti seconded. Motion carried, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 5:35 pm.